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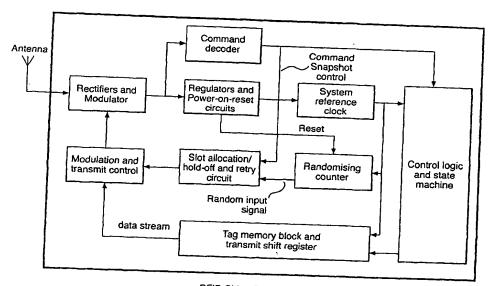
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RFID Chip - Block Diagram

(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a method of identifying a plurality of transponders each of which transmits data at intervals to a receiver. The invention also relates to an identification system comprising a plurality of transponders and a receiver, to the transponders themselves and to an integrated circuit for use in a transponder. The transponder repeats data to the receiver at random or pseudo-random intervals in length. The intervals are directly or indirectly dependent on the output signal from a counter responsive to a physical characteristic of the transponder.

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